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Dear Sir:

Please amend the subject U.S. Patent Application as follows to  
place this U.S. Patent Application in better condition for examination.

**In the claims, substitute the following Claims 1-16  
(Currently Amended) for the pending Claims 1-16 (Original).**